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Secretary of the Air Force Barbara M. Barrett provides testimony to the Senate Armed Services Committee in Washington D.C., on Dec. 3. The committee examined privatized military housing for service members and their families.



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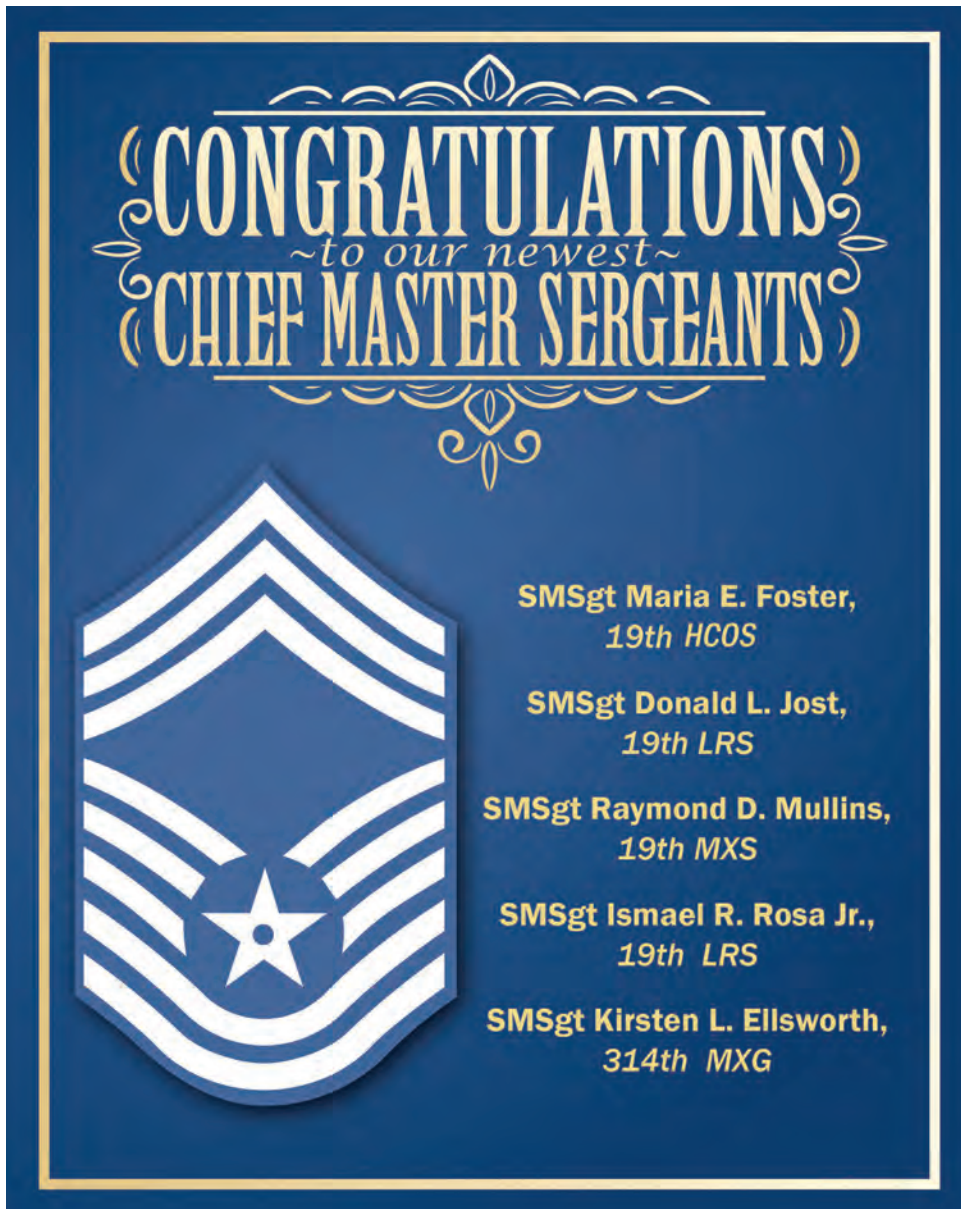
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LEADERSHIP SERVES ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MEAL

Little Rock Air Force Base senior leaders serve an annual Thanksgiving Celebration Meal prepared by 19th Force Support Squadron Services Flight.

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Leadership within the cyber community discuss the way-ahead for the cyber AFSC as well as the newly proposed 1D7 cyber operational AFSC on Nov. 13 at Little Rock Air Force Base. The team worked over the course of several days to develop curriculum and discuss the future of MDTs.

Cyber community makes plans for new AFSC

Story and photo by Master Sgt. Jessica Roles
189th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Career field managers and functional area managers within the Total Force cyber community gathered at the 189th Airlift Wing on Nov. 19-20 at Little Rock Air Force Base. The group collaborated over the course of several days to develop a training plan, establish new expectations of students and instructors, improve the mission defense team training plan and incorporate the developments into a new cyber Air Force specialty code. The new AFSC, 1D7, is expected to become an operational AFSC, separate from the communications career field.

The new training outline drives a more relevant curriculum for the cyber community, especially for mission defense teams. The planning committee discussed issues such as how pipeline training will be conducted and how follow-on training will fit into the schedule. Some cyber fundamentals such as network-

ing, LINUX, operating system comprehension, and others will continue to be a requirement for both the 3D and proposed 1D career field.

The committee met at the 189th AW to ensure the instructors and members of the 223rd Cyberspace Operations Squadron knew exactly what to expect once all conclusions were met. Knowing where to begin with pipeline MDT students is crucial to successful follow-on training for all levels of cyber defense.

The facilitation of the training planning team ensured the cyber defenders a first-hand account of what to expect in the future for the cyber community.

"We need to know where they end so we know where to start," said Lt. Col. Eroica Waggoner, the 223rd COS commander. "They have the first part of training so we need to know what they're teaching them before they show up here. We need to make sure that all the people

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coming through here have the required fundamental training so we can effectively train them further.”

Mission defense teams are vital to the Total Force mission. Air Force MDTs are at the tactical edge of weapons systems platform defense. MDTs provide an inherent cyber risk assessment to each weapon system’s mission operation and provide mitigation capabilities and coordination efforts to obtain the required level of mission assurance for their assigned weapon system. MDTs perform five core functions:

■ **Identify** - Develop the organizational understanding to manage cybersecurity risk to systems, assets, data, and capabilities.

■ **Protect** - Develop and implement the appropriate safeguards to ensure the delivery of critical infrastructure services.

■ **Detect** - Develop and implement the appropriate activities to identify the occurrence of a cybersecurity event.

■ **Respond** - Develop and Implement the appropriate activities to take action regarding a detected cybersecurity event.

■ **Recover** - Develop and implement the appropriate activities to maintain plans for resilience and to restore any capabilities or services that were impaired due to a cybersecurity event.

“The proposed 1D7 AFSC will drive a more relevant curriculum,” Waggoner said. “We’re preparing to facilitate approximately 560 students this fiscal year as well as training 84 MDTs across the Air Force. This will make it a more streamlined effort.”

COMBAT AIRLIFTER OF THE WEEK



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Airmen renovate Military Museum static aircraft

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The Jacksonville Museum of Military History's F-105 Thunderchief before (above) and after (below) recent renovations.



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Simulated training prepares security forces for real-life events

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Lights off, the screen on, two security forces Airmen walk into the simulator and pick up their weapons. Master Sgt. Jeremy Covington, 189th Security Forces Squadron S4 superintendent and instructor of the use of force simulator, opens the program and a non-lethal use of force scenario appears on the screen. The defenders encounter a clearly agitated individual who will not heed their warnings. Pulling out a taser designed specifically for the training simulator, one Airman feigns the man on the screen into a passive state.

The simulator is interactive and even includes the use of flashlights during night scenarios. The Arkansas Air National Guard defenders practice multiple scenarios using this simulator, meeting the criteria for annual use of force training in the most efficient and cost-saving way. The system is also portable and can be used in recruiting

events, family days and to showcase it to the community.

"This is a great way to ensure all our defenders receive the proper annual training," said Covington. "The benefits are cost reduction, ammo conservation, and they have the opportunity to practice skill-building, and interactive training of lethal and non-lethal use of force. We can also practice this whenever we want, without planning months out and coordinating with different units and locations. It's not all about the cost of the training but the availability of it. This makes it much better."

Typically, the unit conducts training in the CONEX village located near the firing range to conduct building-entry, patrol movements and shoot-no-shoot scenarios but coordinating is often tricky. It also turns the one-hour training on the simulator into a full day of training plus additional coordination for simulated rounds and occupancy

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A 189th Security Forces Squadron defender accomplishes use of force training on the simulator designed to supplement annual training. The simulator offers 27 Guard-specific scenarios to ensure defenders' currency.



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'Tis the season for safety

Keep self, family, Wingmen safe this holiday

It's the most wonderful time of the year again! The holidays are a time filled with great food, presents and good times. Unfortunately, the season can also bring a Grinch-like influx of fire hazards, burglaries and vehicle accidents. Here are some statistics and tips to help you take care of yourself, your family and your Wingmen.

FIRE SAFETY

National statistics show the frequency of home fires increases around the holidays. Fortunately, Little Rock Air Force Base does not mirror national statistics when it comes to holiday fire hazards.

"This is primarily due to our very aggressive fire prevention programs and the willingness of the base populace in keeping fire safety a priority in their day-to-day activities," said James Farrell, 19th Civil Engineer Squadron assistant chief for fire prevention.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, each year, one out of every 66 reported Christmas tree fires results in a death. Also, more than one of every four Christmas tree fires is caused by electrical problems.

Small steps can be taken to prevent such catastrophes:

1. Be aware real trees burn much quicker than artificial trees

2. When setting up a tree, don't overload it with decorative lights

3. Dry trees burn very rapidly, so be sure to water live trees every day

4. Keep candles or space heaters at least three feet from any tree

Cooking fires, particularly turkey fryers, can be just as dangerous as Christmas tree fires according to Farrell. The leading cause is unattended cooking.

"The use of turkey fryers is particularly hazardous, and requires extra vigilance" Farrell said. "You must emphasize safety around these fryers to prevent burns and other injuries."

HOME BREAK-INS OR ROBBERIES

Another major concern around this time of year is burglaries. Police agencies see spikes in car and home break-ins around this time every year, according to national crime statistics. Little Rock Air Force Base Airmen and their families are not immune from crime.

Base crime prevention experts stress the importance of being aware and paying attention to detail when combating crime during the holidays.

Here are some preventive steps to take:

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AN INTRODUCTION: Secretary of the Air Force Barbara M. Barrett

Lawyer, Rancher, Pilot

By Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

ARLINGTON, Va. (AFNS) – In her first formal interview since becoming Secretary of the Air Force, Barbara M. Barrett told Air Force Television about her youth, her life's journey and how those experiences make the Air Force a good match.

"Aviation is a big part of my life and space is, too. For me, the Air Force is a very comfortable home and a place that feels like the right fit," she says.

Barrett is a lawyer, a rancher and instrument-rated pilot with a long history of corporate and federal service, including serving as ambassador to Finland and in senior positions with the Federal Aviation Administration and Civil Aeronautics Board. Before she was 30, she was an executive with two global Fortune 500 companies.

Informed by those experiences, she says serving as the Secretary of the Air Force is "an extraordinary privilege" but clearly places her emphasis on "the depth of the responsibility that this job carries."

At the same time, she understands a larger truth:

"I also know that every Airman, when they raise their hand to defend the country and the Constitution, is making a bigger commitment than I am," she says. "My job will be to give them the tools, give them the resources, give them the support and get out of the way."

She primarily wants to continue to accelerate in the direction set by her predecessors. She noted her commitment to modernizing the Air Force, ensuring readiness and streamlining operations by reducing Air Force Instructions with unnecessary rules and regulations. That effort, she says, will ensure "we can make faster and smarter decisions."

She also said standing up the Space Force, if approved by Congress, will be a key focus area. "We have to be first and best in space for the world's safety and especially the defense of America."

"A United States Space Force is not just a good idea; I might even say it's overdue," she said in the interview. "It's really time for us to be attentive to our dependence on space, the urgency of space, the importance of space and the need for us to continue our lead in the warfighting domain."

Connected to all of that is ensuring that the Air Force meets its mandates as articulated in the National Defense Strategy. That document, which is the blueprint for defending the country and its interests "is the best I've seen," she says.

"It recognizes there are threats America has to be ready for," Barrett says. "The United States Air Force is going to be the frontline of defense. The United States Air Force has to be ready to face those threats."

Barrett says she is excited to work alongside the "superstars" who populate the Air Force's ranks. Guiding her are the lessons she learned growing up on a farm in Pennsylvania where hard work and determination were daily necessities. So was education.

Ethics and integrity are paramount, she says, as well as ensuring equal opportunity and rewards for merit and performance. That emphasis, she says, is a byproduct of her own path being a woman in positions and places often dominated by men.

"In America we look for talent not packaging," she said. "What matters to us is, what does somebody do? How do they perform? What do they get done? ... Those who move things forward, those who work with integrity and honesty ... we don't worry so much about the gender a person is. We care about what the performance is."

"From my perspective, America is a place where we look to people according to abilities and performance. The Air Force is very much that way."

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Barbara Barrett takes the administrative oath of office as the 25th Secretary of the Air Force at the Pentagon on Oct. 18.

Airmen enjoy Thanksgiving tradition

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U.S. Air Force Col. Dean Martin, 189th Airlift Wing commander, serves Airmen Thanksgiving dinner at the Hercules Dining Facility at Little Rock Air Force Base on Nov. 28. The Thanksgiving Celebration Meal is a special meal prepared by the 19th Force Support Squadron Services Flight and served by senior leaders each year.



U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Trevor Smith, 314th Airlift Wing command chief, serves Thanksgiving dinner to an Airman at the Hercules Dining Facility at Little Rock Air Force Base on Nov. 28. Serving meals at the dining facility is an annual Thanksgiving tradition for leadership as a way to say thank you to Team Little Rock Airmen.



(Above) U.S. Air Force Col. Derrick Floyd, 19th Mission Support Group commander, serves Thanksgiving dinner to a retiree at the Hercules Dining Facility at Little Rock Air Force Base on Nov. 28.

(Right) U.S. Air Force Col. John Shutte, 19th Airlift Wing commander, carves the Thanksgiving turkey at the Hercules Dining Facility at Little Rock Air Force Base on Nov. 28. The Thanksgiving Celebration Meal enhanced esprit de corps and supported Airmen who celebrated the holidays without their families.



Training

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of the area. Forecasting range days and firing rounds per person is planned nearly a year in advance to accomplish the physical training. While the use of force simulator guarantees training and practice whenever they feel they need it, it doesn't match the real training scenarios.

"What you don't get from the sim system is the feeling and genuine reaction of being hit," Covington said. "When you get hit with an actual sim round, you know it. You lose some of the response on the simulator here in the building when you get 'shot' or

someone comes at you. People react differently when they take an actual sim round to the chest out in the field. When they take a shot back at their antagonist, the shot won't be nearly as accurate as it would on the screen."

The simulator program is currently being used by all security forces units within the Air National Guard in addition to the physical field and range training. More than 27 Guard-specific modules and 300 additional modules are loaded into the software.

The program has been utilized for approximately eight years and is constantly being updated to contain new scenarios. This practice, balanced with the traditional methods, continues to be the way-ahead for the foreseeable future.



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“Thieves know a lot of people will be out of town,” said Jeffery Bardsley, 19th Security Forces Squadron chief of plans and programs. “Try not to leave your home unattended when possible.”

2. Leave exterior lights on and have a trusted friend collect your mail and newspapers.

“Something as small as taking out the trash could provide a treasure of information for crooks,” Bardsley said. “Leaving boxes in front of your house tells thieves what you’ve just bought; be aware, and don’t give criminals opportunity for crime.”

3. If you see something suspicious, report it.

If you live on base and want a Defender to check your quarters while you’re away, simply come into the 19th Security Forces Squadron headquarters, building 481, and fill out a form. Your home will be checked on once every 24 hours until you return.

ON THE ROAD

“What’s the most dangerous thing you do every day?” said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Jonathan Chalquest, 19th Airlift Wing Occupational Safety technician. “If you said driving, you are absolutely right. Driving is the leading cause of deaths in the Air Force and this hazard is heightened when you add in the holiday season.”

When it pertains to vehicle accidents there are three main preventable causes, known as the three D’s:

1. Distracted driving

Be sure to use hand free devices so that your attention is always on the road during one of the peak travel times in the year and stay vigilant. Even if you do everything right when driving, someone else may not be as responsible.

2. Drunk driving

Think ahead and have a plan. If your plan falls through, reach out to an agency like Airmen Against Drunk Driving.

3. Drowsy driving

During the holiday season it is imperative to think ahead and plan properly to ensure adequate rest before embarking on your journey.

The roadways become even more hazardous when the weather turns cold. Black ice, high winds, thunderstorms, flash floods and other drivers are just some of the perilous conditions that can occur in the blink of an eye.

“Compound these factors with congested roadways during peak travel season and you have a recipe for disaster,” Chalquest said. “Having a plan in any of these instances can save your life. Think ahead.”

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(Editor’s note: original article written by Staff Sgt. Harry Brexel, updated by Senior Airman Grace Nichols)

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